

# CITY OF CONCORD

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Community Development Department

## REPORT TO MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Beth Fenstermacher, Director of Special Projects & Strategic Initiatives

DATE: December 20, 2023

SUBJECT: Report regarding naming of the new Penacook Library & Activity Center

## **Recommendation:**

Accept this report

#### **Background:**

On Decebmer 12, 2022, City Council approved Resolution 9518 appropriating funds for the acquisition of real estate at 76 Community Drive in Penacook for the purpose of establishing a new Penacook branch library and community space, and to enter into a Purchase and Sales Agreement with the Boys and Girls Club of Central New Hampshire to acquire said real estate. The 8,900 sf building is currently under construction with anticipated completion in summer 2024. Upon completion the City will acquire and operate approximately 1,465 square feet of the building, with the Boys & Girls Club owning and operating the remainder of the building.

## **Discussion:**

The entire building will be known as the "Penacook Community Center". The Boys & Girls Club space will be called "The Rome Family Early Learning Center, The Boys & Girls Club of Central NH". Staff is recommending that the City space be named "The Penacook Library & Activity Center". The space is designed for shared use as a public library and programming through Parks and Recreation, similar to the Heights Branch Library.

